



Welcome to Autumn

We hope you're all enjoying the beautiful colours and textures of our amazing parks as Autumn comes to London. It really is worth a lovely weekend walk.



Upcoming Events September 2026

- Celebration Collective Worship is held every Friday. All parents/carers are warmly invited. Please be in the alley at 2.50pm.
- Monday 21st September St Matthew's Day
- School Council Elections
- House & Vice Captain Elections
- Autumn Colours Celebration (details to follow)
- Autumn Movie Night (details to follow)

October 2026

Thursday 8th October Harvest Festival
St Matthew's Church

Families are very welcome to attend to celebrate this special time of year.

Black History Month Celebrations

St Matthew's Day

Our very special saint's day is on Monday 21st September. You are all very welcome to the service at St Matthew's Church at 6.30pm.



School Council Elections

We are all getting exceedingly excited about our forthcoming School Council Elections this coming Monday. Thank you for all the family support and encouragement the children are receiving as they prepare their speeches. They really are encapsulating our values of:

Belonging
Believing
Achieving

Good luck everyone!

Please ensure that your child is in school on time each day. The school gates open 08:45.

LATENESS = **LOST LEARNING**

(Figures below are calculated over a school year)

5 minutes late each day	3 days lost!
10 minutes late each day	6.5 days lost!
15 minutes late each day	10 days lost!
20 minutes late each day	13 days lost!
30 minutes late each day	19 days lost!

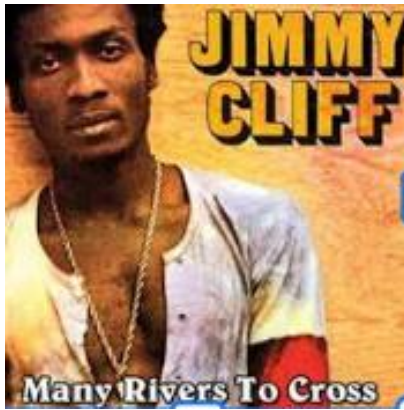
ATTENDANCE

Congratulations to Year 1 and 2 for the best attendance (100%)!

Last week's attendance in each class:

Year 1 100%	Year 100 %
Year 3 94%	Year 4 92%
Year 5 94%	Year 6 97%

Wouldn't it be wonderful if every class hit 100%!



Music of the Week

Jimmy Cliff

Mr Cliff was a Jamaican musician, multi-instrumentalist, singer, and actor. He was one of only four reggae musicians to hold the Order of Merit! This is an honour granted by the Jamaican government for achievements in the arts and sciences. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QvBEpwcGM2o>



HEALTH BENEFITS OF SINGING IN A CHOIR

- Reduced stress, anxiety and depression
- Improved breathing and posture
- Better heart rate regulation
- Improved immune system health
- A sense of community and belonging
- An opportunity to experience the joy of singing!

St Matthew's School Choir

We are running a special taster session on Tuesday 22nd September. With our fabulous Choir Lead, Mr Will Bruce from St Paul's Cathedral. All children are extremely welcome to attend between 3.30 and 4.30pm. Please let the school office know. It will be a musical fun-filled hour!

Homework and Reading Club

This starts on Monday 21st September. The office will have been in touch to let you know if your child has a place. Please remind them to bring their homework and a reading book. Just a reminder that if they are bringing a snack, it needs to be fruit and/or vegetable and a water

Year 7

We continue to see our wonderful pupils from last year's Year 6 class. Some of our families have sent photos of their first day at secondary school. We're very proud of you all.



Online Safety

As we know, all of our children deserve to be, and feel, safe online. There are so many wonderful opportunities but we know there are also risks. So it's incredibly important that we do all that we can to keep all our children safe online.

Internet Safety Rules

- 1 I WILL NEVER USE COMPUTERS OR PHONES TO BE MEAN TO OTHER PEOPLE.
- 2 I WILL TELL AN ADULT IF I SEE OR HEAR SOMETHING I DON'T LIKE.
- 3 I WILL BE CAREFUL WITH WHAT INFORMATION I SHARE ON THE INTERNET.
- 4 I WILL NEVER PUT ANY RUDE WORDS, PHOTOS OR VIDEOS ON THE INTERNET.
- 5 I WILL KEEP MY PASSWORDS AND LOGIN DETAILS SECRET.
- 6 I WILL ONLY TALK TO PEOPLE I DEFINITELY KNOW ON THE INTERNET.